

REMARKS

Concerning Amendments to the Specification.

Applicants tendered amendments to the specification with the response dated June 20, 2005. The Advisory Action dated July 21, 2005 did not comment on the proposed amendments to the specification. Applicants seek acknowledgement that the proposed amendments are acceptable for the prosecution record.

Concerning Amendments to the Claims.

Amended claims 1 and 8 clarifies the invention by specifying the composition identified in now deleted claim 6 and 13 as an acid scavenger.

Amendments to depend claims 7, and 13 change the dependency and clarify the name of the acid scavenger. No new matter is added thereby.

Concerning the Claim of priority.

Applicants acknowledge with gratitude identification by the Examiner of the correct provisional application for applicants' claim of priority. For the record, applicants' claim priority from provisional application 60/439,896.

Concerning Prior Art Rejections

The amended claims are believed to clarify the claims and establish novelty and non-obviousness over the art of record.

Relief Requested

Applicants request that the amendment to the specification requested by this Response dated June 20, 2005 be made of record in the application.

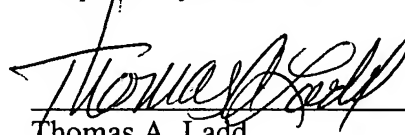
Applicants further request that the pending rejection of claims be withdrawn over the art of record for the reasons stated.

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Applicants request acknowledgment of Applicants' claim of priority to provisional application 60/439,896.

In the event that Applicants have overlooked the need for an extension of time or a payment of fee, Applicants hereby conditionally petition therefore and authorize that any charges be made to Deposit Account No. 02-0390, BAKER & DANIELS.

Respectfully submitted,

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